irginia—Pair Saturday, warmer in stern portion; Sunday cloudy, probably wers; variable winds becoming fresh

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#### SHANDS' CASE TO BE HEARD

SEPARATE COACHES.

Opponents of Epps' Bill Seeking to

Democratic Leaders are Advocating a date Encouraged in His Fight to Purify Elections-He Will Offer an Act to Impose a

#### FIGHT LASTED FIVE HOURS.

General Young Routed Insurgents Amiler General Tino.

thin of faternesds among the natices, defamilitory newspaper articles of United States and Europe promptly published in Spanish in San Francisco, Madrid and by Heng Kong Junta and circulated in

the voyage.

A second dispatch from General Otis, dated Manila (to-day) says:

"Hospital ship Relief just returned from Vigan bringing 77 sick soldlers, 22 Syan, says reports several hundred Spanish prisoners at Vigan, for which we send transport this evening.

with portion of regiment and battalion of Thirty-fourth infantry in pursuit of insur-gents on road southwest of Lepanto thence to Bontec on which Aguinaldo and

#### A TILT IN KENTUCKY.

The Governor and Judge Tarvin Pass

Compliments by Wire. FRANKFORT, KY, Dec. 8.—G tradley to-night gave out his firs

#### Lieut, Bromby HL

Subscription for Cotton Mill,

## Captain Avers Killed,

# TAYLOR GETS THE

Board of Election Commissioners Decides for Him and Other

madmissible to establish any facts, in considering the questions submitted, we must be guilted by the rules of law. We cannot depart from the beaten path for it is the sate path.

After questing extracts from the new election law, defining the powers of the Board, the opinion reals:

"It is evident from the law, that the State Board of Election Commissioners, when siffing as a Board of Contest, is clothed with sowers and jurisdiction walch it does not possess and cannot assume to exercise when siffing as at present in a mere multiserial capacity.

ercy and upon which we are required

"These papers are clearly incompetent testimony for any purpose and it would be so held, we apprehend, not only in all courts, but it would be held by use if we were now sitting as a board of contest. "It would be monstrous to say that a person appearing on the face of the returns to have been elected to an office of higher or low degree could be deprived of that office on mere ex parte affidavits, which he had never had an opportunity to inspect, and before he had been given an opportunity to offer evidence in his own

## FOR ENGINES

Richmond Works Get the

BREAKS THE RECORD.

The Largest Yet Booked From a Southern Road.

EIGHT FOR A WESTERN ROAD.

Most of These Engines are to Haul the Heavy Freight Traffic Which Has so Rapidly increased. Big Improvements at the Locomotive

AN ORDER FROM THE WEST.

DIMENSIONS OF BOILER SHOP.

SOME RECENT IMPROVEMENTS. SOME RECENT IMPROVEMENTS. Very extensive improvements of the Lo. omotive Works have been made recently. The introduction of electricity as a motive power in all departments is a feature. No other locomotive works in the world are run by electric power.

The plant boasts the largest smith and hammer shop south of Philadelphia. The old smith shop has just been converted into a cylinder and wheel shop, equipped with machinery provided by electricity and with immense electric crases.

The foundry, sajoining the cylinder and wheel shops, has undergone

and wheel shops, has undergone

nprovements which add valuable additional room. The circular ends have seen squared and the roof raised; electic overhead cranes have taken the place

MANY MINOR CHANGES.

CROWDED WITH WORK

### THE RAILROAD IS REOPENED

General Methuen Has Restored Telegraph and Railway Communication to Modder River.

PRETORIA, Weinesday, Dec. 6.-Fight.

of infantry were despatched from Modder

FRENC CAMP. Fee. 8.—The trestle pridge is finished and the trains are now

traversing It.
LONISON, Dec. 8.—The Times has the
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following from Monder River dated Tuesfollowing from Monder River is low and following from Moder River dated Thes-day December 5: "The river is low and the rallway bridge is rapidly approach-ing completion. The first train will cross to-night. After extraordinary extertions the pontion bridge has been completed. ADVANCING ON COLENSO. PRETORIA Thursday Dec. 7.—The fol-lowing dispatch dated Tuesday has been received from the head Laager near Ladvemith:

"The British are advancing on Colenso, but last night passed without

The British are advancing on Colenso, but last night passed without an attack. There was a desultory cannonade this morning the naval guns in Ladysmith replying vigorously to our fire."

LADYSMITH, Thursday, Dec. 7.—Via Wenan.—The total British casualties here knee November 1st are five officers and 25 men killed and 15 officers and 120 men wounded, with 30 missing. The lost force is still around us in large

CURRENCY BILL

Debate Will Commence in House on Monday.

ADOPT SPECIAL RULE

By Which the General Debate Will Continue Until Friday.

A STRICT PARTY VOTE 163 TO 144

Democrats, Populists and Silverites Presented a Solid Front Against the Adoption of the Resolution-The Vote Will Be Taken on the Following Monday.

#### CURTAIL DEBATE.

Mr. Grosvenor, of Obio, in support of the rule, argued that it could not be justly said that it would unduly curtail debate and consideration. As to the charge that members of the majority would find it efficult to explain their change of front, he said it was one of the proudest bousts of the Republican party that it was wise now than it was a good many years age. He said he would be sorry for any public man who had gone into public life a young man and had remained in it until he was an old man without knowing more than when he began.

"The Demetratic party." said be, "was the only well recognized demonstration of a great organization which had survived a long period without learning anything." (Applause and laughter).

Mr. Cannon of Hinois, in response to the thrust of Mr. Richardson frankly said that he had voted for free colarge of silver in 1818 but he had done so because of the impending resumption of specie nayments when the Democratic party was howling for flat money.

Mr. Dalzell closed the debate by recalling some of the rules under which the Democrats had forced through important hills in the find, and fird Congresses. He referred particularly to the adoption of the conference report in the 52nd Congress upon the tariff bill which "the greatest Democrat since Andrew Jackson, Grover Cleveland (derisive 'aughter on the Democratic side) had pronounced a plece of party period and dishonor."

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Mr. Richardson attempted to reply to Mr. Dichardson attempted to reply to these statements, but Mr. Dalzell refused to yield and at the conclusion of Mr. Dalzell's remarks the previous question was ordered and the roll was called on be adoption of the special order. The special order was adopted, 163 to

its a strict party vote.

Mr. Robertson, of Louisiana, then announced the death of the late Representative S. G. Baird, of Louisiana, and after the adoption of the customary re- histing unlawful co-habitation.

ROBERTS CASE.

The Committee Meets Behind Closed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The com-nittee which is to inquire into he status of Mr. Roberts, of Utah, held

#### BOUGHT BY THE VANDERBILTS.

Reported That They Have Become the

Owners of Virginia Canals.

Open Door in China.

## AN ANSWER TO ROBERTS' ADDRESS

Delegation Representing Gentile Element in Utah Charge That He is a Fugitive From Justice.

"In this morning's papers Mr. Roberts makes an appeal for sympathy, in which

victed since statchood. It does not follow

attorney.

"Mr. Roberts, in his attempt to belittle
his crimes, insists that he is only charged
with a misdemenuor. He knows better.
He knows that he has been, under oath

"Ex-Congressman W. M. King was und is now a Mormon, and no claim of ineligibility was ever unde against him. We point to this fact as showing that we oppose Mr. Roberts, not upon the ground of any religious opinions entertained by him, but because of his criminal practices. Neither is this a matter of religious or political persecution or prejudice. The undersigned include men of different churches and men who belong to no church, those who are Republicans and those who are Democrats.

COMPACT VIOLATED.

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"Mr. Roberts denies and we assert that the compact between Ulah and the other States has been violated.

"As evidence that this compact has been broken, we point to the following.

"That in Utah 1.00 illegitimate children have been born to polygamous wives since statehood.

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That about two thousand polygamous households now exist in Utah and that the attempt to secure a punishment of these offenders is denounced by the major, ity, as we believe, of Utah's citizens.

That the circumstantial evidence unmistakably points to the existence of new wives in polygamous households.

"That the very men who interpreted the manifesto of 1890 to prohibit unlawful co-habitation with prior acquired wives, now publicly justify its continuance.

"All this is by necessary implication endorsed by a majority of Utah's people in the election of Brigham H. Roberts, who during his campaign for election was publicly charged with being a violator of the laws, as evidenced by his illestimate progeny, and in spite of these undenied charges he was elected by an overwhelm, ing majority.

ing majority.
"That Mr. Roberts himself understood that compact to mean the discontinuance of unlawful to habitation, we note to his registration outh of 1895, in which he swore it to be his intention to obey the law pro-

### solutions, at 1:20 P. M... as a further mark of respect the House adjourned LAUNCH WILL BE until Monday. CHRISTMAS WEEK

Torpedo Boat Stockton Will Then be Ready.

THE FAIR SPONSOR.

Miss Virginia Stockton, of Philadelphia, to Break the Bottle.

GREAT WORK AT THE SHIP YARDS

Following the Stockton Will Come the Torpedo Boat Thornton and the They Will All Be in the Water by Early Spring. Work Being Pushed,

BATTLESHIP "VIRGINIA."

Colonial Dames Will Ask President to so Name a Vessel.

The suggestion made about the time of the award of a cruiser to the Trigg Company, that a battleship in the early future should bear the nam "Virginia," has been acted on very promptly by the local chapter of the Colonial Dames of Amer-

A committee has been appointed, con-

A committee has been appointed, consisting of members of the Colonial Dames, which will go to Washington next week to wait on the President and the Secretary of the Navy, and impress upon him the reasons why there should be a floating for rates the "Virginia."

Mrs. Herbert A. Claiborne, on behalf of the Colonial Dames, called upon the Governor yesterday, and extended an invitation to him to accompany the committee of ladder.

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Governor Tyler accepted the invitation to the extent that he promised to join the committee in Washington on Friday.

He will accompany the ladies when they are ready to call upon the President and the Secretary and introduce them to the distinguished efficials. Incidentally, of course, he will reinforce the arguments the ladies will make, for the Governor is himself intensely interested in honoring the State, and seeing it honored by others.

State Maintia Reorganization.

Important and radical changes in the organization of the State Militia will be recommended to the Legislature at this session. The revision of the laws necessary to accomplish the purposes in view will be pointed out by a special board of volunteer officers of the service, which has been appointed by the Governor, and which will make its report to the Executive, who, in turn, will embody the heard's recommendations and suggestions in a special message to the Legislature.

### SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

Local -Legislative matters.

More heirs to the Wood estate.

Stockton to be launched on the 27th

Brockton to be launched instant.

—Charity ball at Jefferson last night.
—Ell introduced to amend the election laws.
—Rev. Henry Kloman to come to St. Mark's.
—Big order for locomotives received at the Richmond Locomotive Works.
—Young man shot in the face by a companion accidentally.
—Destitute families in Manchester turned out into the streets.

General.

-The House adopts as special order limited debate on currency bill by strict

# Committee Will Meet on

20th of December.

Defeat It.

CONVENTION WILL BE ORDERED.

by Hong Kong junta and erroulated in the Philippines, insurgents have based all hopes upon false rumors." Gen Otts reports arrival of the trans-sort Olympia with the 5th Infantry, one hattalion of the 5th Infantry and some recruits. There were no casualties during

sh prisoners: reports several hundred parallel prisoners at Vigan, for which we behalf. Such is not, never was, and never would transport this evening.

"Colonel 2.2 5. Thirty-third Infants," in world."

# MAMMOTH ORDER

Contract for 41.

Works,

DIMENSIONS OF BOILDER SHOP.

The new bodier shop is a building 418 feeong by 70 feet wide. The company waemerkably fortunate in securing the prinpal material for its construction at a reads figure. An advertisement of the
ale of the Moninouth Park Racing Assoation's grand-stands and other structures
are to the notice of the Locomotive
vortes officials shortly after the plans to
a botter shop, had been prefured to

orce of 1,000 Boers with one gun, who has

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